

## PROGRESS ON TARIFF BILL

Several Important Committee Amendments Were Adopted by the Senate.

### TO MAKE MORE CHANGES

New Rates to Be Made for Cement and Window Glass—Sen. Gore's Resolution for Investigation of Cost of Production and Wholesale and Retail Prices.

Washington, D. C., May 18.—After the greater part of the day's session to debate the Senate passed up a number of important committee amendments to the tariff bill. It also disposed of adversely an amendment by Mr. Stone restoring the Dingley rates on razors. On that vote most of the progressive republicans voted in the affirmative with the democrats.

More than two hours were devoted to a discussion of a resolution by Senator Gore to investigate cost of production at home and abroad and the relative price of commodities at wholesale and retail. The resolution was referred to the committee on finance by a decisive vote.

Copious progress was made in the adoption of several sections of the tariff bill that had formerly been passed over. There were several amendments decreasing duties formerly reported by the committee, but some of the others adopted increased duties. The bill is now brought up to the wood schedule.

Senator Smoot will introduce an amendment, which has the endorsement of the committee on finance, redrafting the paragraph relating to cement. Instead of an ad valorem rate of 35 per cent, on Keene's cement or other cement of which equivalent is the cement material of chief value, standards and values are fixed as follows:

If valued at \$15 per ton or less, 35 per cent; if valued above \$15 and not above \$20 a ton, 30; and if valued above \$20 the duty is fixed at \$4.

On behalf of the committee, Senator McChesney will introduce the new classification on window glass.

The rate on common window glass has been reduced half a cent per pound. The amendment makes an increase of about 1-4 of a cent a pound in the finer quality of window glass used almost entirely for picture framing. Very little of this quality is manufactured in the United States and the amendment is intended as a revenue producer.

### FIGHT ON INCOME TAX

Democrats and "Progressive Republicans" Have Made Strong Coalition in the Senate.

Washington, May 18.—That there will be a sharp contest in the Senate over the proposition to refer to the judiciary committee the amendment to the tariff bill introduced by Senator Bailey, providing for an income tax, is indicated by a coalition of the democrats and some of the "progressive republicans," which became known to-day.

Unquestionably the vote will be close, probably the closest that will occur in the making of the tariff bill.

The democratic strength in the Senate is 31 votes, all of which are pledged to support the amendment. Mr. Bailey is counting upon from 16 to 17 republican votes to secure the adoption of the amendment, and it is said that some of the "progressives" have assured him that they can deliver that many.

On the other hand the "conservative republicans" in charge of the tariff bills says they have made some inroads upon the "progressive republican" camp and upon the question of referring the whole subject of an income tax to the judiciary committee for a report at the next regular session they already have 45 votes pledged and they express confidence of success.

Until the understanding announced today the democrats and "progressive republicans" were far apart over the form of the bill to be reported. Senators Cummins and Borah, who were his chief advocates among the latter for an income tax amendment, were in favor of a graduated tax according to the size of the incomes and were opposed to a tax on corporations. By surrendering these contentions, in order to get a vote, it was said to-day that an agreement would be reached upon the principal features of the Bailey amendment. The plan is to provide for a flat tax of two or three per cent, upon incomes above \$5,000 and upon incomes of corporations above the figure named. In order that there shall be no double taxation of individuals, the bill provides that no corporation shall be made for deductions where the tax upon corporation stock has been paid through the corporation itself.

### TO SUCCEED WATCHORN.

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### VERMONT NOTES

The State convention of the Knights of Columbus will be held next year in Burlington, the second Tuesday of May.

The ninth annual rally of the Baptist Young People's society of the Lamotte association will be held at Jericho Thursday.

Mississippi Park at Highgate Springs will be opened Monday, May 24, when an excursion will be run there from Canada, it being Victoria day.

The Central Vermont railway has closed a contract for 75,000 tons of coal for its southern division to be delivered at New London, Palmer and Bellows Falls.

Morrison has voted to sell its town farm as being too expensive a proposition. Paupers will be cared for otherwise.

About 50 members and friends attended the 20th annual reunion of Company D of the Spanish War in St. Johnsbury Saturday evening.

The Rev. Charles N. Morris has resigned the pastorate of the Methodist Episcopal Church to take effect July 1 after two years' service.

An old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration will be held at Roaring Brook Park in Barton by the Orleans County Fair association on Saturday, July 3.

For a distance of 60 yards along Main street in Middlebury, the village trustees have obtained that the speed of automobiles shall not exceed six miles an hour.

A foreign missionary institute will be held in Essex Junction Tuesday, May 25, under the direction of Miss A. A. Bingham of Bennington. State secretary of the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary society.

In a match last week at Brandon, Judson A. Wright of Middlebury, who is in his 22nd year, led the marksmen by bringing down 46 out of 50 birds thrown.

Mr. Wright is known as the "grand old trap shot" of Vermont.

A double funeral was held in Chester Monday for Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Fairbanks. Both died from heart trouble within 24 hours of each other. Mr. Fairbanks, who was 76 years old, died Saturday evening and Mrs. Fairbanks Friday.

Pinhas Parker, Vermont's oldest whist player, is willing to challenge any one in the State over 50 years old. He has five children, five grandchildren and three great grandchildren, a condition which he will waive in the case of those accepting his challenge.

The Rev. P. L. Bullard, formerly of Brandon, in preparing a Chautauque yearbook writes that he "stumbled upon an old volume of rare interest." It is a book of hymns and a like experience in a Boston bookstore previous to his leaving Brandon.

The Robin Hood Amusement company at Swanton is on the crest of a wave of prosperity. So far this year more orders have been received than the entire sales last year. New machinery is soon to be added which will greatly increase the capacity of the plant.

The International Paper company's log drive is on its way down the Connecticut to Bellows Falls. There are 10,000 feet of logs in the drive and it is expected to reach Bellows Falls in about 10 days. It was held back two weeks for the fear of another rise in the river.

As the result of being denied a license to sell intoxicating liquor, the Rosemont House in Castleton, that village's only hotel, is closed and surrounded by a wire fence to make the fact doubly plain. W. H. Webster, the proprietor, is taking care of transient trade in a large house across the street.

Since the last report of Commissioner H. G. Thomas of Stowe regarding the work done at the State fishery at Roxbury, between seven and eight hundred thousand trout fry have been shipped to different brooks and ponds in Vermont. The shipments yesterday amounted to 4,000.

The Brattleboro listers expect to increase the list of taxable property about \$30,000 this year. The largest single increase is that of the Hooker, Corser & Mitchell company from \$5,000 to \$75,000 as the result of a disclosure made in a suit whereby it was learned that the net earnings of the company were more than 40 per cent.

The Woodbury Granite company of Bethel has the contract for the stone for the Roman Catholic Cathedral to be constructed in Minneapolis, Minn. All the granite will be quarried in Bethel and cut at the sheds there. The contract calls for 100,000 cubic feet of granite at a cost to exceed \$200,000. Work will be given 150 men for a year and a half from June 1.

The Bennington battle monument has been wired for electric lights and was lighted for the first time Monday. Hitherto it has been lighted by gas. The structure it was necessary to use lanterns. Over 5,000 signed the visitors' register last year and it is expected that more than that number will appreciate the new method of illumination this season.

During the last quarter there have been 20 patients discharged from the Vermont Sanatorium at Pittsford. Of this number there were only two who have not improved. The others have been discharged by parties from Vermont. George E. Smith of Springfield, Mass., has bought a farm in Bennington.

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### VETO NOT SUSTAINED

Aldermen Again Declare in Favor of New School on Pine St.

Mayor in Exhaustive Message Again Recites Reasons Why It Should Be at Lakeside—Bonds for \$20,000.

At a special meeting of the board of aldermen, held last evening, the resolution providing for the location of the new school building on the Flynn lot on Pine street was adopted. The mayor's veto notwithstanding. The vote on the resolution was by ayes and nays and was carried, eight to four, as follows: Aye, Aldermen Edwards, Barnes, Gosselin, Dion, Murphy, Clarke, O'Brien, and Aldermen Cowles, Pine, McCreedy and Drew. The mayor's veto occasioned a repetition of the arguments previously made as to the most desirable site for the new school building. A petition, largely signed by residents of Shelburne road, opposed the Flynn site. A petition from Lakeside residents asked for the location of the school at Lakeside proper.

A resolution was adopted authorizing the issuance of bonds not to exceed \$20,000 for the construction of the building. Said bonds to be issued in denominations of \$1,000, payable 20 years after date and bearing interest of four per cent.

THOSE SUSPENDED POLICEMEN. The matter of the salaries of suspended policemen came up again when City Attorney Vilas submitted an opinion in which he recognized the legality of the claim of Officer Belka for \$23.10 for services. This brought Mayor Burke to his feet and the mayor's remarks interested Police Commissioner Powers, who also spoke briefly. The problem whether policemen should be measured in their stockings feet or in shoes with French heels was dealt with exhaustively. The city attorney's opinion was referred back to him for further consideration.

MISCELLANEOUS. City Attorney Vilas also submitted an opinion in regard to the claim of Mrs. Charles Fielding of Pittsford street for \$300 for a broken wheel sustained through a fall over a cut-off box which protruded from the ground in Ticker street.

The city attorney recommended settlement for \$200 if it could be effected. Joseph Auld, representing the committee on decorations for the local tercentenary celebration, appeared and asked that the city furnish without cost the electricity and necessary connections for the decorations to be installed for tercentenary week. The board of electric light commissioners were authorized to supply connections and current to an amount not to exceed \$500.

The following resolutions were adopted: One authorizing the installation of a water main in North avenue from its present terminus to Mallett Bay avenue, the city treasurer being authorized to place to the credit of the water department the sum of \$1,000 for the construction of the same, the department to pay the amount through its current appropriation.

One authorizing the board of finance to make necessary repairs in the city market building or fire station No. 4, to accommodate the hook and ladder truck.

One fixing the rate per kilowatt hour for electric current from the city plant after May 1, 1900, to five cents per kilowatt for all over 10 kilowatts consumed in one month and the commissioners were moreover authorized to make such rates per light for special illumination as in their judgment is equitable to the city and the consumer.

RELEASED FROM FORTRESS. Lieut.-Gen. Stossel and Rear Admiral Nebogoff No Longer Prisoners.

St. Petersburg, May 18.—Lieut.-Gen. Stossel and Rear Admiral Nebogoff have been released from confinement in the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul by order of Emperor Nicholas. The health of both men has been greatly affected by their confinement.

General Stossel was found guilty by court martial of surrendering the fortress of Port Arthur to the Japanese and was sentenced to ten years imprisonment. Nebogoff was sentenced to be interned in a fortress for the same length of time for surrendering to the enemy at the battle of the Sea of Japan. Stossel began his sentence March 25, 1904, while Nebogoff took up his quarters in the fortress April 15.

Rear Admiral Gregorieff and Lieut. Smirnov, subordinate officers under Nebogoff in the Russo-Japanese war, were pardoned and released from the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul a month ago. The officers had been sentenced to death for having surrendered their command in view of extenuating circumstances. Their sentences were commuted to 10 years imprisonment which they began serving in 1907.

JOHN SALVATOR RETURNS. Alleged Missing Archduke of Austria Wants to Work at Old Job.

Cleveland, Ohio, May 18.—John Salvator, who claims to be the missing archduke, Johann Salvator, of Austria, arrived here last night from Chicago and immediately went back to the position as a machinist which he abandoned last week following the publication of the story of his alleged noble birth. He said that within three days he will be able to produce proof that he is the archduke.

BADGES FOR SOLDIERS. Men Who Served in Cuba to Have a Distinguishing Honor.

Washington, May 18.—The officers and men of the United States army who served in the Spanish war and of pacification from October 6, 1896 to April, 1900, will receive from the government a service medal ribbon in recognition of that service. The badge ribbon will be issued as a part of the army uniform gratuitously to the enlisted men at a cost price and officers. This action is under the direction of President Taft. The badge will be borne and will be similar in general design to the badge previously authorized for service during the Spanish war and Philippine insurrection.

TENTS FOR TERCENTENARY. Washington, May 17.—Resolutions were passed by the House to-day authorizing the secretary of war to loan tents and tents for the forty-third national encampment of the G. A. R. at Salt Lake City and a number of tents for use at the tercentenary celebration of the discovery of Lake Champlain, to be held in Burlington, Vt., in July, 1904.

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GREAT CROP OF STRAWBERRIES. Dover, Del., May 18.—To-morrow the great strawberry season of 1903, which is expected to make some rich men out of poor farmers in Delaware, will open. Never in the history of peninsula fruit growing have such luxurious berries hung from the vines. From \$750,000 to \$1,000,000 is the estimate placed on the crop this year.

TO END "JOY RIDING." Massachusetts Legislature Asked to Impose a Prison Sentence. Boston, May 18.—A decided effort is to be made by the reorganization committee now at work on the automobile laws to put an end to "joy riding" and one feature of the new draft now in the committee on roads and bridges will be to increase the penalty for any person twice convicted of driving an automobile while intoxicated.

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